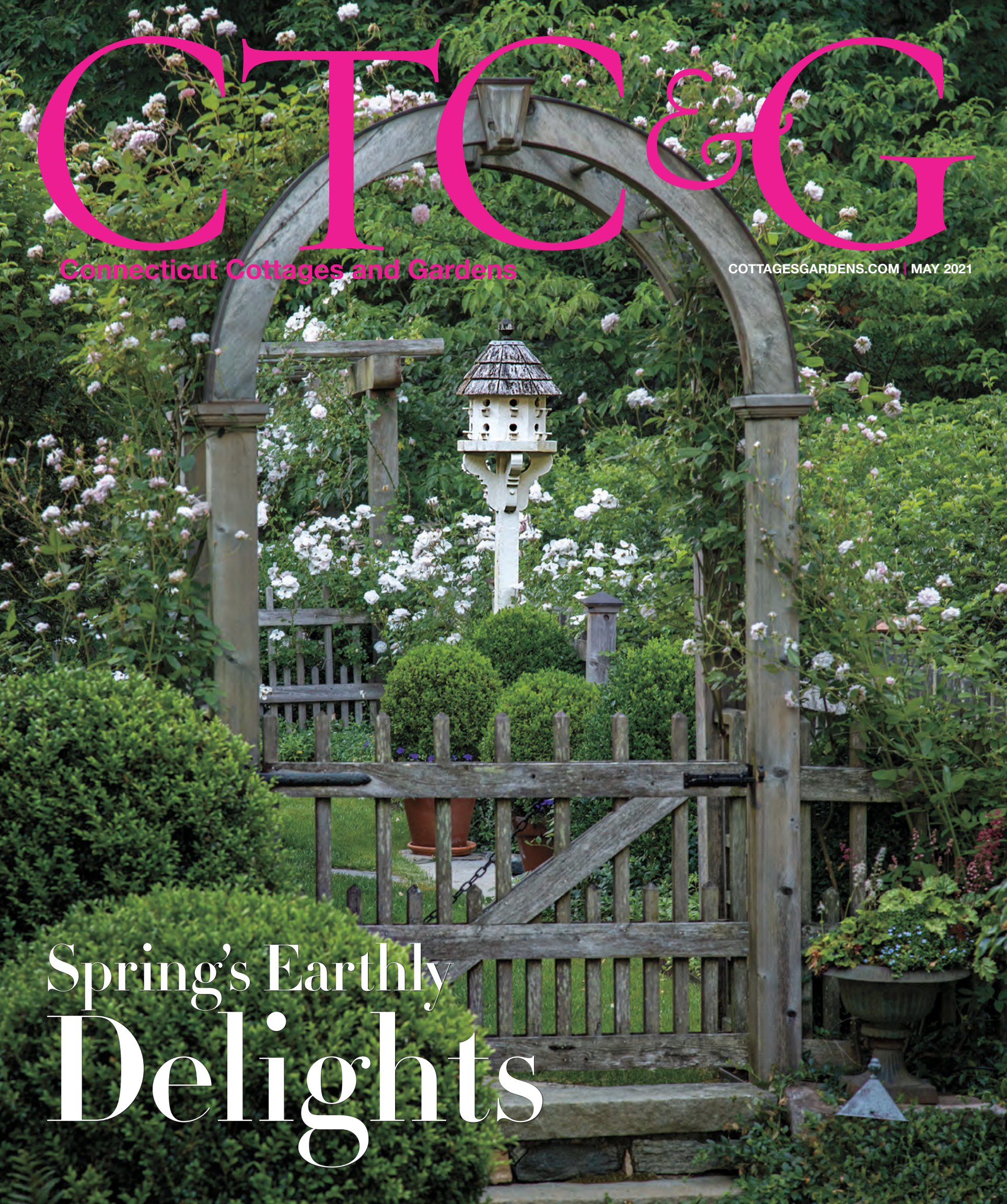


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Spring's Earthly
Delights





WHAT'S NEW



Out of the Box

LOOK WHAT'S POPPING UP IN THE GARDEN THIS SPRING | PRODUCED BY MARY FITZGERALD



FLOWERS IN BLOOM

Richard Smith designed this lush Spring Garden fabric for Madeaux from a watercolor painting. The glazed cotton fabric depicts tulips, anemone, rhododendron and ferns in a large-scale print. Available through John Rosselli & Associates, price upon request, johnrosselli.com, madeaux.com.

AVIAN LIVING

Birdwatchers will love the low-maintenance Perch birdhouse by Loll Designs. Its modernist architecture is constructed from recycled polyethylene milk jugs and requires no assembly. Available through Design Within Reach, Stamford, Westport, \$125, dwr.com.



SIT A SPELL

In a weather-friendly sunflower gingham fabric, the Serena & Lily Teak Camp Stool provides the perfect seat to admire the garden. \$298, Westport, serenaandlily.com



WHAT'S NEW

SUN SCREEN

Make a fashion statement and keep the sun out of your eyes with the Aimee hat from Eric Javitz. Made from recycled material, the hat is durable, lightweight, packable and blocks 95 percent of the UVA/UVB rays. A rope chinstrap prevents flyaways on windy days. \$375, Available through Petticoat Lane, Greenwich, petticoat-lane.com, ericjavits.com.



THE GARDEN GATE

Artisan Sandra Vlock custom designed this gate, incorporating an apple tree motif to pay homage to the pastoral property of its CT home. Made-to-order architectural elements, including decorative gates and sculptural garden screens, can be created in a variety of metal finishes with the option of powder coating to match any specified color. Studio Vlock, price upon request, studiovlock.com.



TOOLS OF THE TRADE

Pierre Frey's Les Outils du Jardinier print wallcovering brings the whimsy of the garden indoors. Sold by the 11-yard roll, \$198, pierrefrey.com.



FLOWER POWER

Designer and gardening expert Bunny Williams created the Shipman Planter Stand for Ballard Designs. The classic silhouette is constructed of black powder-coated aluminum, dressed with a lattice skirt and a stylized floral medallion. The raised planter box liner lifts out for easy cleaning. \$989, ballarddesigns.com.



HARVEST TIME

A tisket, a tasket—the naturally beautiful rattan basket from Terrain is just right for collecting flowers or vegetables from the garden. \$128, shopterrain.com.



HERE'S THE BUZZ

Rain or shine, these Golden Bee Garden Boots from Whiteflower Farm have you covered. Sporting a bee motif on the outside and a honeycomb pattern on the inside, the waterproof wellies are made of natural rubber with an adjustable side strap and buckle. \$89, Litchfield, whiteflowerfarm.com.



WHAT'S NEW

DIGGING FOR DIRT

Garden tools are organized and accessible with the Riverbend Home garden tote. Durable, stain-resistant fabric pockets hold three essential gardener's tools. \$37, riverbendhome.com.



LOCALLY YOURS

Plant-based soaps in scents like Chamomile Lavender, Sweet Fennel and Tarragon, and Green Tea Lemon Sage are made by Treefort Naturals in Colchester and sold at New Haven's Bark & Vine plant shop. Sourcing locally organic ingredients, the soaps are free of synthetic fragrances, dyes or preservatives. \$7 each, Bark & Vine, New Haven, barkandvineshop.com.



FOLLOW THE SUN

Once used to tell time, sundials track the position of the sun. Today, they serve as decorative garden elements. The Armillary Sundial from Kenneth Lynch & Sons is forged in the U.S. from silicon bronze and embellished with zodiac symbols. Available in three sizes, prices start at \$3,900, klynchandsons.com.



SUNNY DISPOSITION

Add a pop of orange to your flower bed with the Hudson Grace watering can. Generously sized, it holds two-gallons of water and is equipped with a removable no-leak rose. \$42, hudsongracesf.com.



GET GROWING

Handsome and functional, the Howard Garden Planter Table from Reed Smythe & Co features a removable galvanized metal tray, perfect for seed starting and repotting. The bottom shelf is handy for storing garden pots and tools. The iron body will achieve an appealing rust patina over time. \$850, reedsmythe.com.



GARDEN VARIETY

Wadding is a handmade lattice traditionally made from woven branches and acts as a decorative border to define areas of the garden. Pennoyer Newman developed a durable resin version that will retain its beauty season after season. Available in a variety of colors, made to order, price upon request, pennoyernewman.com.

